

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please revise the paragraph beginning on Page 1, Line 4 of the specification to read as follows:

--The present invention relates to a fastening system for fastening a jewellery element to an item of jewellery according to the preamble of claim 1.--

Please delete the paragraph on Page 1, lines 14 and 15 of the specification in its entirety.

Please revise the paragraph beginning on Page 2, Line 26 of the specification to read as follows:

--The object of the present invention is therefore to construct a fastening system for fastening a jewellery element to an item of jewellery according to the preamble of claim 1, in such a manner that, on the one hand, the jewellery element can be easily released from the item of jewellery and be fastened again to the item of jewellery without a separate tool, and on the other hand an inadvertent release of the connection of the jewellery element and the item of jewellery is reliably prevented.--

Please revise the paragraph beginning on Page 3, Line 1 of the specification to read as follows:

--It is a further object of the present invention to construct an item of jewellery according to the preamble of claim 14 in such a manner that the jewellery element on the one hand can be easily removed from the support part and reinserted without a separate tool and yet an inadvertent release of the connection of the jewellery element and support part is reliably prevented.--

Please revise the paragraph beginning on Page 3, Line 10 of the specification to read as follows:

--In summary, it is therefore the object of the present invention to construct a fastening device of a fastening system to fasten a jewellery element to an item of jewellery according to the preamble of claim 1 and a fastening device of an item of jewellery according to the preamble of claim 14 in such a manner that on the one hand the jewellery element can easily be removed from the item of jewellery and support part without a separate tool, and on the other hand an inadvertent release of the connection of the jewellery element and item of jewellery and support part is reliably prevented.--

Please delete the paragraph on Page 3, lines 23-25 of the specification in its entirety.